



THE GRANGE NEWSLETTER

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The Grange

In tribute to Toronto's Sesqui-centennial, The Grange has been featured in the March issue of City & Country Home. According to Janet Hodapp, "it's the best article on The Grange since I've been here". The article has already encouraged a number of visits. One gentleman hurried to see The Grange on his lunch hour after reading about it.

Barbara Jean Neal writes glowingly about The Grange in her editorial. "With its carefully researched interiors, beautifully decorated with appropriate furnishings, colors, fine china and museum-quality silver pieces, its cheerful volunteers costumed as upstairs maids, cooks and so on, and its aroma of baking bread, two hours in The Grange can teach more than a dozen history books."

Bravo to City and Country Home for devoting ten pages of the magazine to this great house.

Calendar

SPRING LUNCHEON LECTURE SERIES

The Grange Music Room, 11 am.
Lectures to be followed by a light lunch.

March 6: The Pleasure of Your Company: Entertaining in Early Toronto

March 27: 19th Century Horticulture and the Gardens at The Grange

Tickets \$7 for members (Series \$21); \$10.50 for non-members (Series \$31.50) can be purchased at The Grange or ordered by calling 977-0414, ext. 237. Please make cheques payable to: Art Gallery of Ontario,

Grange Committee.

VOLUNTEER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

The Grange Music Room,
10:30 am.

March 21: Pleasance Crawford
"19th c. Horticulture
and the Gardens at
The Grange"

April 4: Louise Saunders
"Artistic Ladies of
the Wilderness;
Impressions of
Upper Canada"

NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE TOUR

For Grange Volunteers only.
Peter J. Stokes, restoration
architect for The Grange, will
conduct a guided tour of
houses in Niagara-on-the-
Lake.

May 28, 1984

A bus will leave the Pleasant
Blvd. entrance of the St. Clair
and Yonge subway at 8:30 am. on
Monday, May 28, 1984 for Niagara-
on-the-Lake. Please be there by
8:15 am. The bus will return at
approximately 6:00 pm.

The ticket price of \$25.30
includes lunch at the Luis House.
Cheques are to be made payable to
SHEILA BADGLEY - IN TRUST and

and sent to Sheila Badgley,
264 Cortleigh Blvd., Toronto M5N 1P7
by March 23, 1984. Please include
a stamped, self-addressed envelope.
Unfortunately we can only take 30
people so those whose cheques are
returned will be put on a waiting
list in the order that they are
received. For those volunteers who
cannot be accomodated this time,
we will try to arrange another trip
in the fall.

ANNUAL MEETING

April 30, 6:00 pm.

The Grange Music Room

You are all invited. It's your
Annual Meeting.

Etcetera

D'ARCY BOULTON JR. - Dennis Reid
advised that the man in the
photograph in the right hand plastic
case in the upper hall is not
D'Arcy Boulton Jr. - KF

TODMORDEN MILLS - Tuesday group
visited Todmorden Mills the first
bad winter storm last November. It
was worth the effort. Four
structurally different buildings
constructed between 1798 and 1899

typify the changes in living conditions in Toronto during these years. Most interesting was the tiny house consisting of two miniscule bedrooms and a kitchen dating back to 1798. It was built on a two hundred acre property by Partial Terry, a Justice of the Peace who, not only owned the property but owned in the area. He lived in these cramped quarters with his wife and seven daughters for some time.

The trip was ably organized by Elizabeth Parker and Doris Butters. For further info. contact Vera Coombs at 789-2259. - VC.

EVENING LECTURE SERIES -

Those who enjoyed Araby Lockhart's readings from James Brown's letters will be pleased to know that these letters are available now in the library.

We also have the book favoured by Mr. Edinborough in his talk "Young Mr. Smith in Upper Canada" by Mary Larratt Smith. - RV

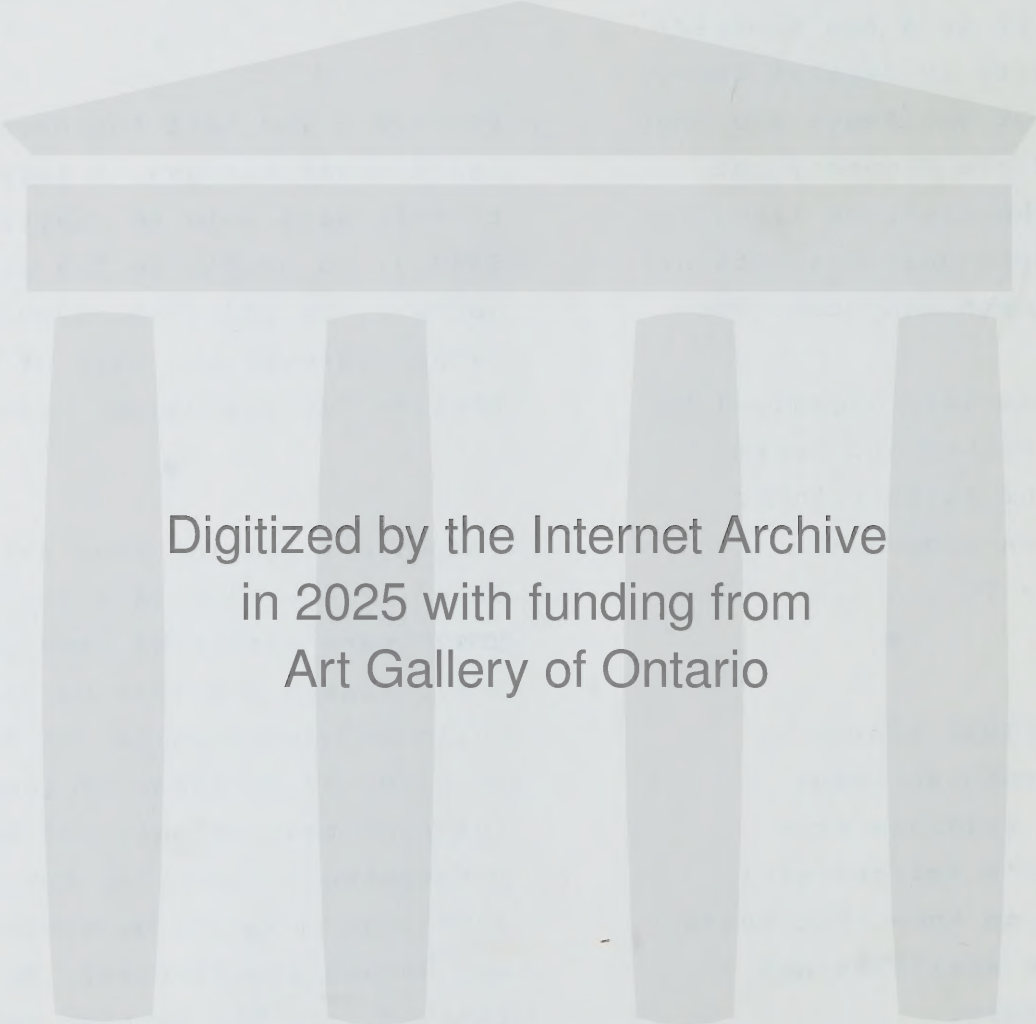
COINS - Decimal coins were first issued in Canada West

(Ontario) in 1858-59. Prior to 1908, all decimal issue for B.N.A. were struck in England. The decimal system was adopted by an Act of 1870. One cent was equal to a half penny and two cents for each penny. - JS

PROFITS - The Fall Luncheon Series was a great success. A total of 133 tickets were sold to contribute \$542.07 in profit to The Grange coffers. In addition, \$399.58 was gained through the sale of 90 tickets for the Daniel Hyatt concert.

REDCOATS - Jessica Hunt was recently asked if she knew when the British troops were withdrawn from Canada. Her research provides us with the following information: In February of 1870 the Dominion of Canada was informed that Britain was no longer interested in carrying the cost of providing troops to maintain order and defend its frontier. By the fall of 1871 the British redcoats departed.

DIARY - "Time of Day Diary" is now available for Grange Volunteers at cost (small \$6.30, large \$6.90), from the publisher. 424-3482



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ALARMS - Recently there has been a concern voiced by some of the Volunteer staff regarding alarms, and how they are silenced.

In an attempt to give you some idea of what is happening Jack Vecchio compiled the following.

A ringing alarm initiated a signal to our control room CPU (Computer Print Unit). The control room operator will get a visual and printout of the point alarmed. The control room operator will then acknowledge receipt of the alarm (INA on printout), call via a walkie talkie system. The investigating security officer will then have ascertained why the alarm was initiated and relay the information back to the control room operator.

For security reasons, which I can't go into there are times when a particular alarm will be left ringing until the security officer responds to the alarmed door. Although the alarm may be annoying, it is important that the alarm be left on. At other times the control room operator may have a mechanical problem with the door or door contacts and not be able to reset the

alarm. To compound the possible problems, messages are continuously coming into the control room concerning other security points, environmental conditions, paging messages and just information requests.

So, as you can see, the control room operator is under a great deal of pressure when an alarm comes in on the Security Channel System. Training of a top-flight control room security officer is a process that takes many hours and an innate ability to understand a complex computer. These few people who can perform quickly and attentively on a daily basis deserve a great deal of credit.

NEWSLETTER - Items to be included in next issue should be submitted to Marilyn Litvak, editor, THE GRANGE NEWSLETTER, The Grange Administrative Office.

